

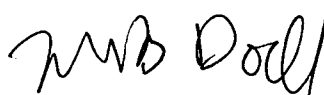
**REMARKS**

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) has been filed in this case to allow the Examiner to consider references contained in an accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). The non-patent literature documents identified in the accompanying IDS were previously submitted on February 8, 2007 and are available in PAIR.

In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated this 26th day of March, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RND DODD", written over the printed name of Rick D. Nydegger.

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